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## Rain Does Not Dampen 'Carnival'



A surprised Anna Maria Alberghetti greeted your "McAuleyan" reporters after the matinee performance.

"Love makes the world go 'round." So sang the entire cast of the hit Broadway musical "Carnival" on March 21st. The last strains of music which followed ended a day of fun for 415 McAuleyans including the entire 4B2, winners of the Booster Drive last October.

The play was accompanied by dinner at the Circus Lounge of the Hotel Piccadilly, 227 W. 45th St. These two treats were rewards to the students who brought in \$30 in the Yearbook Drive.

After dinner the girls followed the traditional itinerary of wandering down Broadway and taking in the sights. They arrived at the Imperial Theatre 249 W. 45th St. by curtain time which was at 2 o'clock.

"Carnival," directed and choreographed by Gower Champion, who also worked on last year's play "Bye Bye Birdie," was adapted

## This Year's Girl Stater in 3B2

Once again the outstanding junior of the year will represent McAuley at the Empire Girls' State. Maria Peschka of the 3B2 was chosen. The convocation will take place at New Paltz State Teachers College, the week of June 22.

The idea of this program is to teach young girls the workings of the government. During their stay at Empire Girls' State the girls participate in debates, lectures and parliamentary procedure and setting up a mock government. Other recreation includes talent shows, skit nights, campaigns and an off campus parade. In conclusion an Inaugural Ball is held.

In addition to being a scholar our representative, Maria is also active in many school activities. Included are Leo Honor, Orchestra and Junior Sacristans. Upon graduation, Maria would like to attend Fordham and major in Math or Science.

## DATE SET FOR PROM IN MAY

That long awaited social event has finally been scheduled. The Senior's Prom will be held on May 25th.

Already ideas for the extravaganza to be held in the gym are being planned by the sisters.

Seniors, remember the time is getting short to invite that special escort.

## FRESHMAN ZEAL ACCOMPLISHES A MAG SUCCESS

In honor of Catholic Press month, this school held its annual Magazine Drive from Feb. 8 to 19 to encourage the reading of good literature and raise money for the school.

The 1000 students participated in this undertaking, sponsored by the Catholic Decency in Literature Program, by selling subscriptions to magazines both religious and secular to relatives, neighbors and friends.

Enthusiasm reigned supreme as classes competed with one another for the coveted mascot. The classes which brought in the highest each day were honored by a monstrous green frog adorning their classes that day.

Besides the mascot, McAuleyans who brought in their quotas were given the opportunity to see a movie in the auditorium on March 6th. We mustn't forget to mention the cotton-picking contest in which a girl who brought in \$15 was given a chance to pick up some extra cash by picking cotton balls from a bag at 25c a piece.

The results of the drive showed that the 1B5 brought in the highest amount during the allotted period. The top salesmen were Irene Duda \$163 (2B4), Patricia Lauro \$152 (1B4) and Diane Amarante \$101 (2B3). The drive is over now, but, before we know it the drive will again be here to give us a chance to earn the much needed green stuff.

## Cubs Caught by Expert's Energies

On Washington's Birthday more than 200 students from various high schools in the Brooklyn and Rockville Center Dioceses attended a journalism workshop held at St. Joseph's Commercial High School. The workshop was sponsored by the Press Club of St. Francis College.

The guest speakers included Mr. William Brooks, Public Relations Director for the American Petroleum Institute, advertising professional, Miss Barbara Burr, Mr. Ed Quigley of the *Mirror*, Mr. Donald Divine S.J., of Brooklyn Prep, and Mr. Frank DeRosa of the *Tablet*.

Each speaker told about his field and the opportunities available in each of these fields.

After a delicious lunch, the students returned to the auditorium where the guests conducted a round table discussion. Joining in this discussion was Brother Brenden of St. Francis Prep.



## Seniors Gain Scholarships

By Susan Theis

Within the past few months many of McAuley's seniors accomplished a goal of their Freshman year, that is to win a scholarship to the college of their choice. This year the seniors are outdoing themselves.

The State Education Department, which sponsors a scholarship test for high school seniors in the state of New York, announced their scholarship winners and alternates on February 15th. Numbered in this group were grants for colleges and nursing schools. The winners of the college awards were: Camille Caliendo, Margaret D'Addone, Therese Esposito (4B1), Nancy Waloski, and Nancy Martin (4B2). The next, for nursing, was received by Theresa Esposito, whose grant covers four years of study. In the 3 year nursing courses, scholarships were given to Jeanette Graziano, Maureen Hill, Clare Kelly (4B1), Kathleen McQuade, and Camille Piraino (4B2). In addition, Susan Aidala was awarded the Deceased Veteran Scholarship. More scholarships are expected since McAuley was notified it also has 52 alternates for both Nursing and College Scholarships.

Our success did not end with New York State, however. Barbara Wotman and Eloise von Petzold (4B2) won \$1200 grants to Misericordia College in Pennsylvania. Kathleen McQuade also of the 4B2 received a scholarship to St. Vincent's School of Nursing. Kathy also received a nursing award from the Regents.

Secretarial schools have also seen fit to honor McAuley. Antoinette Sancis (4B2) received a scholarship from Mary Byers Secretarial School and Helen Saucer (4B2) received one from Claremont Secretarial School.

Congratulations are also due to 60 seniors who received Incentive Awards.

## Rite Is the Theme Of Assembly

The first assembly of the second semester was held on Monday, March 26th. The occasion of this anticipated event was the visit of Father Allen Maloof, a priest of the Eastern Rite of the Catholic Church.

Father Maloof came to us from the Church of the Virgin Mary. During the time allotted



Father Maloof beams as he gives address.

to him, Father took the Juniors and Seniors on a guided tour of the East and such cities as Lebanon and Jerusalem, with their beautiful churches were seen. This was accomplished by the numerous picture slides which Father brought with him.

The main theme of Father's address brought the girls closer to the knowledge of the differences in ceremony of the Eastern Rite from the Latin Rite. Such topics as the different forms of administering Baptism, Confirmation and the celebration of Mass were discussed.

Lack of time cut short an enjoyable lecture, but Father graciously consented to hold a question and answer period after his talk. During this time the audience displayed a great deal of interest in the methods of training a candidate for the priesthood and in the possibility of changing from one rite to another. Father pointed up many of his answers with humorous stories.



## EDITORIALS

## MADE IN U.S.A.

"It is a wonderful thing to know that pride in this nation and in its accomplishments is not a thing of the past." As we all recognize, this statement was made by one of the most eloquent speakers of past months before a meeting of both houses of Congress. But for many of us the emotions expressed by the entire population, that star-spangled spirit making our pride known was a new thing. We were too young to remember VJ Day or to feel pride when Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower rode up the "Avenue of Heroes" but we were old enough on Feb. 20 and the weeks following to know that we were very proud to be Americans.

For in "Freedom 7" Col. John H. Glenn represented the great American scientists, the great American system and the freedom loving citizens of the United States and the free world. On that day the pessimistic views about faltering U.S. power and ability were torn to shreds. Yes, it did take us more time than the Russians, but to us the safety and well being of just one American is more important than the records in history books, which might have read "The United States launched a man into space in 1961 and failed."

We have a right to be proud of our nation and Col. Glenn. As women we have a right to be proud of having Annie Glenn representing the American women. You read in magazines and newspapers how European wives are more devoted and therefore the husbands are better off, or, how Japanese wives are more subservient. In Annie Glenn we see our best, a woman who raised two teenagers like you and me in whom the nation can ably entrust the future. If this nation has produced one Annie Glenn it has produced many similar women, who stand by their men in times of trial. Mrs. Glenn is the typical American wife and mother, intelligent and loving, the backbone of her family.

We truly showed our competitors our strength. From the Atlas booster to the tip of the capsule, from John Glenn to his family, from Cape Canaveral to the whole world our accomplishment was marked MADE IN AMERICA.

There may be other flights but this one will kindle men's imagination whenever they remember. Let us pray that we may use our newly found knowledge to its fullest. I am sure that the faculty and student body will concur with the statement made to Col. Glenn by the President, "Thank you, Col. Glenn, we appreciate it."—M.R.

## YOUTH ON PARADE

When we speak of "youth" we do not mean those leather-jacketed, gum chewing beings many people picture when the word teen-ager crops up. Neither do we mean those exceptional children gifted with "super" intelligence. The boys and girls referred to are personified in the thirty-seven foreign delegates to the Herald Tribune Youth Forum.

These young men and women are living proof that man can exist harmoniously with his fellow humans even with differences in economics and ideology prevailing. The sharing of three months experiences in education, travel and pleasure by Africans, Europeans, Asiatics and Americans is a definite contradiction to the presently accepted policy of discrimination.

The playing of a Jewish folksong by a German lad and the friendship of an Arabic boy with an Israeli youth are two stirring examples of youthful determination to get the "World We Want."

We find here a free, unbiased spirit, possessed by these thirty-seven boys and girls. There is no hatred of a certain political faction, dislike of a person's skin pigmentation, and ridicule of a neighbor's strange religious beliefs or national customs.

As this group stood together on the dais of the Waldorf-Astoria Grand Ballroom, Friday, March 23rd, it would warm your heart to hear them discussing our times with such open minds.

Each of the thirty-seven countries represented here can hold its head high.

Youth can truly find its place in our world!

M. W.

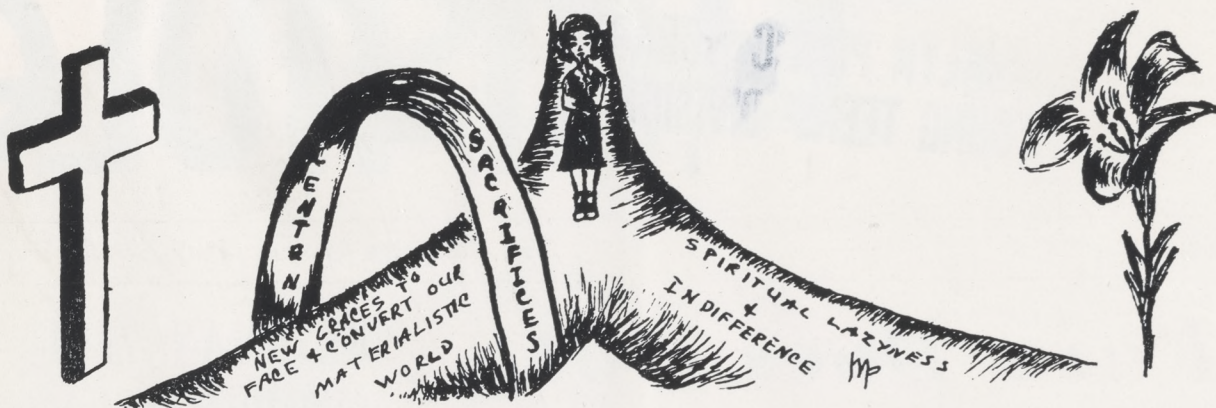
## THE REAL WINNERS

Not long ago the artists of Hollywood gathered for the annual movie awards. In recognition for fine acting, the best show music or the best movie of the year, Oscars were presented. Winners walked away content with their accomplishments, but many of their competitors did not. Some considered the others' good fortune their own defeat. Another group left not clutching an Oscar, but clinging to the hope of success next year.

This occurs not just on the great white screen but even in our lives. Next month the medal winners will be announced. Some girls will attain honors but many will not. Maybe we have worked just as hard as the winner, perhaps even harder. Yet we didn't receive the medal or an honor.

The real winners realize that everyone cannot be the best. Problems and defeats do not break us. Rather, it is the way we react to these that makes for real success or failure. For, unless the grape is crushed there is no wine, unless the rose petal be bruised, no perfume!

M. S.



## A LENTEN PROMISE

By Janet Weis, 285

How can I thank Thee, dear Lord

What can I do for Thee?

For You have given me so much.

My church, my land, my family.

When You died for us on

Calvary,

'Twas the noblest deed of man,

Perhaps this Lenten Season

I can fulfill Your holy plan.

I will go to Mass more often,

Say the Rosary every day;

I will try to do some thoughtful

acts

I may encounter on my way.

Then on Easter Sunday

I will rejoice with Christendom

I will praise the Almighty in

heaven

And sing alleluia to His Risen

Son.

## TO ANN

Kathleen Desfosse, 4B1

Pride rules the day

And I, alas, am of today;

But a flower's gentle breath

Can move my heart.

You are like a flower, dear;

Softly your virtues woo.

Pride's strong fortress wavers,

crumble,

And lo! self comes and kneels to you.

## MELODY IN F

Joanne Howard, 4B1

Today snow fell;

Fluffy, frosted

Feathers,

Flipping and flinging

To final fate.

## SPRING

Geraldine Esposito, 4B1

Spring is

The air seeming soft

The bud gaining fullness

The opening rose;

The smile of Youth

The promise of summer

in dawn adolcesing.

## SOLO

Sally Finan, 4B1

Like an actress

Performing on a

Bare stage,

A single star shone

Alone

In the heavens.

## CONQUEST

Geraldine Cronin, 4B3

The forces of winter

Prepared their white wrath,

And met with their conqueror

The blazing sun-path

The arms of the oak tree

Spread out in gay glee

To greet the spring freedom

And green victory.

## RAIN FRENZY

Nancy Waloski, 4B2

Frenzied night rain

Tore loose from the heavens

And flung itself downward in

torrents of hate.

Swiftly,

Satanically,

Savagely beating,

Drowning the world in bitter

black weight.

## Lent Is for You

Teenagers today need the Holy Season of Lent!

We teenagers live in a troubled age. Each day of our lives we are exposed to a continual barrage of atheistic and materialistic ideas and theories. These forces tend to distort our real goal, that is, the salvation of our souls, and substitute for it a temporal one.

Lent can certainly be a good opportunity for us to put aside the cares of the world and concentrate on the growth of our spiritual lives.

Of course in order to achieve this we need not enter into a "semi-cloister" state for the period of Lent, but rather to strive for this spiritual growth in our simple everyday life in school, at home or wherever we may be.

A rosary each day, going to Mass more than once a week, doing a little more for everyone, do not seem to be very big sacrifices, but constant faithfulness to our simple Lenten resolutions can help to make this Holy Season of real and lasting benefit to us.

Finally, on Easter Sunday, the long weeks of prayer and sacrifice will offer dividends. We then have achieved a fuller and greater meaning of the Way of the Cross, for in our small ways we too have traveled it with Him.

## World History Notes

Emily Casamassa 2B3

**Trojan Horse** — Means of transportation for a McAuleyan who couldn't make it by bus.

**Roman Senate** — Parent-Teachers meeting with students present.

**Gladiatorial Combat** — Ambitious typist who bangs her carriage against her neighbor's face.

**Appian Way** — All roads lead to the Principal's Office.

**Hannibal Crosses the Alps** — Determined freshman who's going to get up those stairs before a senior bulldozes her way through.

**Gracchi Brothers Reform Rome** — Latin equivalent of the Everly Brothers who are having trouble with a bird dog.

**Barbarian Invasion of Rome** — McAuleyans, who need their daily 2 hour beauty treatment, sack the lavatory.

**Feudalism** — Mutual agreement between two McAuleyans for exchange of homework.

**Dante's Inferno** — Exasperated McAuleyan sitting next to the radiator during class.

**Battle of Waterloo** — Sophomore in the mezzanine locker lingering helplessly over the ledge.

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## BOOK REVIEWS

## Two to View

BEFORE I SLEEP by James Monahan

*"The woods are lovely, dark and deep,  
But I have promises to keep,  
And miles to go before I sleep."*

These words that Tom Dooley had loved and lived by are an apt summary of the feverish pace he kept in order to accomplish all he wished to before malignant cancer spread to his vital organs. As the disease became progressively worse a brace, which Dooley called his "Iron Maiden," became necessary. Yet, heroically, he worked on.

During his last year he laid plans for Medico's International Eye Bank, which would make corneal transplants available to restore the sight of blind people in Asia. Today it serves sixteen nations on all continents.

"Before I Sleep" by James Monahan is an account of Dooley's last days compiled from the first hand reports of those who knew him best.

One friend described him as "a shy, lonely man, possessed by a burning desire to help, but fearful that he would be, and he was — misunderstood."

Another states that "Dooley was unpopular among the Americans in Vietnam. They criticized his ego, his fanatical zeal, his flair for publicity."

The book doesn't show Dooley, a knight in shining armor; rather it shows Dooley, the man, possessing the same human weaknesses as many of us, fighting against time and pain to help make our disease ridden world just a little better place to live in.

## INCREDIBLE JOURNEY by Sheila Burnford

This is a heart-rending story with a child-like quality of illuminating warmth. After reading this novel no one can long remain unmoved or not be charmed by the devotion and almost human-like love these three animals share.

The main characters are Bodger, a bull terrier, feeble and advanced in years, but nonetheless with a burning love for his home and master. Also there is Tao, a siamese cat, who frequently sacrifices his food and risks his life for the protection of his two comrades. The last member of the trio is Luath, a young Labrador retriever, who leads the other two travelers through dense wilderness in an effort to go home.

This novel tells not only of the three animals' long and dangerous trek, but also of the love, happiness, and greater meaning they bring with them into the lives of those they encounter. Luck to the Ojibway Indians, comfort to a lonely old man and love to a lonesome little girl are but a few of the efforts this strange group have on the inhabitants of the Canadian forest.

After reading but a few pages who can fail to be drawn into the magical world of Bodger, Tao, and Luath's incredible journey.

## McAuley Mischief

Trouble spots in today's hustling world are certainly creating a problem for our world leaders. While Krushchev is wearing out his soles at the U.N., and Castro is busy readjusting the sugar industry to suit his beard, let's tune in and see how McAuley is contributing to the international situation:

PROBLEM NO. 1 — Important officials at the cafeteria border say there has been constant firing and friction at the point of crossing between the candy counter and the cash register. The operator at the cash register has reluctantly ordered a cease fire.

PROBLEM NO. 2 — Ambitious revolutionary seniors who have considered a job after graduation have caused a traffic tie-up in the guidance room. Sister Mary Germaine has eagerly put up a petition for a traffic light. Know a better way to curb New York traffic?

PROBLEM NO. 3 — Revolutionary forces on the right side of the volley ball net have been blasting down the roof with upward punches. Informed sources say the constant bickering has caused water to leak through from the fourth floor pool.

PROBLEM NO. 4 — Experts say that the resumption of nuclear atmospheric testing will create quite an effect on the world crisis of today. But it seems right here in McAuley the seniors, with their chemicals and experiments, are causing such a suffocating atmosphere, that the radiation from a fifty-megaton bomb would almost be welcomed.

PROBLEM NO. 5 — The meetings of the major freshman forces at the main locker, a constant friction area, have created a major crisis. Opposing forces of each freshman class have not yet signed a peace pact, determining the area of entrance into the locker zone.

The 3B-2 is grieved to report the passing of its companion in the science room, Jacques. With his occasional interruption of classwork, the parakeet was indeed a source of delight. The cause of his death is unknown. We like to think he gave his life for the cause of science as a victim of constant exposure to chemicals used in the lab. Jacques has been properly interred in the convent yard.

## Senior Wins Photo Contest



THE WINNER

The Press Club sponsored a candid camera contest. The contestants were to submit a candid snapshot of human interest or humor. In order to give McAuley girls a fair chance of winning, no professional photography could qualify. (There were several who submitted some.)

Joan Lodato of the 4B2 is the winner. Her picture was well balanced, had a center of interest, and said something warm and natural.

## Human Interest and Humor

Of course, the unposed picture contained human interest. It had a young child and a dog both reaching out for the same piece of candy. The dog added humor by begging on his hind legs with his paws extended and tongue ranging out. The child had an urgent longing in his eyes.

Joan showed an imagination and talent in snapping this duo "in the act." We congratulate you, Joan, and we think you are well deserving of reward.

## Homemaker Is Chosen

The annual Betty Crocker Homemaker at McAuley is Joanne Cuchel of 4B3.

She gained this award by attaining the highest score in a written examination on homemaking techniques.

On March 5th, Joanne was honored at a senior assembly.



JOANNE CUCHEL 4B3

Sister Mary Maurice presented her with a beautiful pin which will serve as a remembrance of her admirable achievement. Joanne now proudly displays this golden heart which symbolizes the slogan "Home is where the heart is."

Joanne is now eligible for the State's Homemaker of Tomorrow award. Her prize winning paper will be placed in competition with the other school winners. The State's Homemaker will be presented with a \$1,500 scholarship by General Mills and an all-expense paid educational tour to New York City, Williamsburg, Virginia and Washington, D. C. This too however is only leading to the climax of the entire contest — the announcement of the All-American Homemaker of Tomorrow. The winner of state prizes will vie for this title and the lucky winner will receive a scholarship amounting to \$5,000.

Good luck is a wish extended from the faculty and students of McAuley to Joanne in the statewide contest.

## FASHIONS

## Fashions and Finery

Summer — vacation, fall — school, winter — Christmas, spring — fashion. Yes, spring does signify fashion for Easter occurs during this season of the year and Easter is a time when fashion is spotlighted. The papers are filled with the latest designs of Cassini, Balmain and even Yves St. Laurent. Suits are in vogue, with short jackets and hemlines wherever you fancy them. But this is society scene; let's take a glance at McAuley's fashion scene.

McAuleyans are proving to be a patriotic lot, they have borrowed a key color scheme from "Old Glory" blue, with red and white; it could be the John Glenn influence, although last year's warm colors are still quite evident. Jackie Kennedy, last year's fashion-setter still holds this revered position. However, her severe styles are slowly being replaced by more feminine frills and flirtatious fringe.

Whether you wish to be the girl next door or the seductress, whether you prefer full-skirts or sheaths, there is a saucy style to fill your desires. For the girl next door there is the outgrowth of the sissy blouse — none other than the sissy dress. Found in many different styles, to flatter many different figures, it still has those basic ruffles.

But what about the more sophisticated ingenue? Has she been excluded from this year's fashion scene? No, as a matter of fact she is very much in evidence. Why, who else could have caused the popularity of that fashion sensation — the twist dress, but these girls. The twist dress is a gaily bedecked affair. Fringe, somehow resembling spaghetti, is cast in abundance upon these dresses. However, if you are lightly conservative, you can find many toned down offsets of this design.

## Top News

Let us not forget that all important Easter bonnet. Hats this year are small, sometimes no more than veils. A prime factor of this is that today's miss just couldn't muss her new and stylish hairdo — and that these hairdos all have the same lines — they're high, wide, and handsome. Yes! The bouffant hairdo is still the rage.

And there you have it — the fashion scene from head to toe. "Speaking about toes," the pointed toe still reigns; the square toe seems to have failed to dethrone it.

The major flaw in today's high fashion is that many people contort the facts. They seem to think that whatever fashion dictates is meant for them. This is not true. Fashion is at our disposal; we must use it to our best advantage. Remember this, and as you walk in that great American institution—the Easter Parade — you will outshine all others.





## SENIOR SALUTE



EILEEN MURPHY

A commercial senior of the 4B5, Eileen really has a problem. She hasn't enough time to do all she wants to do for others.

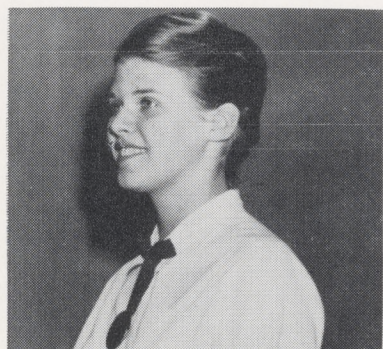
She has been a member of the Junior Sacristans for her first three years. Eileen has also assisted Sr. Mary de Lourdes for four years as a Library Page and is the president of the Junior Jeromians this year.

Every Saturday morning she faithfully gives up her warm bed to execute her duties as a Nurse's Aid at Holy Family Hospital. On Wednesday night

at approximately six o'clock, Eileen may be observed dashing madly from her home in St. Joseph's Parish to catch the bus which takes her, not to a school dance, but to Our Lady of Mercy Parish Confraternity. Here she gladly takes over the chore of teaching anxious youngsters, awaiting her explanation of something as important as the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity. Rarely arriving home before 10 o'clock, she looks forward to this all week.

Eileen's main enjoyment in this world is the giving of herself to others, especially those less fortunate than she is. She feels as though books give her a deeper insight into the sorrows and hardships of people, enabling her to better understand and therefore help them.

Although she hopes to become a stenographer, the chances that she'll decide upon a nursing career are increasing every day. Eileen's problem will never be solved, however, because such people are never satisfied no matter how much they do.



LOUISE COADY

"The perfect women nobly planned . . .". Had not William Wordsworth lived in the 19th century one would almost feel these words were directed to Louise Coady.

Her 4B3 classmates agree that Louise's greatest quality is responsibility. Her years at McAuley were spent as an active member of Spanish, Yearbook, Sten and Glee Clubs. Between classes the tall slender figure can be seen directing the girls at her Student Council post. But the truest aspect of responsibility and love is displayed at home. When her mother passed away she became the "heart of

the family." Early rising and late retiring is indeed trying for all, but this senior's day is even more complex. Seeing her brother and sister off to school and clearing the breakfast table are pre-school activities.

After a long school day she returns to face household chores. Louise doesn't begrudge this work because she does it for her family.

Like most girls she looks forward to the weekend for it gives her an opportunity to participate in sports. Among her favorites are ice-skating, water-skiing. Her clothes, (suits and princess style dresses) give evidence of smart taste.

Senior year opened a new vista in science for her. The study of chemistry taught the necessity for accuracy and how the smallest error can be critical. Science also made her realize that she wanted to be a nurse. In September Louise hopes to enter Kings County and specialize in pediatrics.

Louise Coady exemplifies a true American girl bringing honor to her family, school and parish, Holy Cross.

## The Seniors Recall

After a sleepless three days, our baggage-laden baggy-eyed and bedraggled group returned from Washington. Despite our outer appearance, there wasn't one of us who would hesitate to relive our frantic escapade.

As the ancient mariner had the albatross for a traveling companion, we had the rain. Leaving Brooklyn and returning we sang to the beat of rain on the roof. The days in between were filled with unforgettable experiences.

Our first view of Washington from the bus window was memorable. The setting sun outlined the needle-like Washington Monument and the Capitol Dome in crimson.

### Tour the Capital

The first day we visited the White House. Each one eagerly peeped in doors and halls for just one glimpse of the nation's first family. Unfortunately, the disappointed girls had to be content to walk in the shadows of past gallantry.

As the voices of experience we urge you to take advantage of every minute of the tour, for contained in the shrines of Washington are the memories of our forefathers, the advancement of our present generations, and the hope of the future.



Is Linda Etheridge guarding or twisting with the forward?

## GLORIOUS

### Even in Defeat

McAuley courted defeat when she met Wisdom on Feb. 21. The bitter pill of losing by one point was ours to swallow. But . . .

February 23 saw McAuley's Varsity headed to play Mary Louis with our powerful guard Mary Ellen Gallagher incapacitated. Four minutes after the game started re-bouncer Linda Etheridge left the court with a badly sprained ankle. Spirited on by our Cheerleaders, the Varsity was really out to win. It was basket for basket until just before the final whistle, Ginny McKenna sank that foul shot. Final score in our favor 32-31!

This was a game well played — a fine example of excellent teamwork. Congrats especially to Gerry Mignano for

## Visit Met

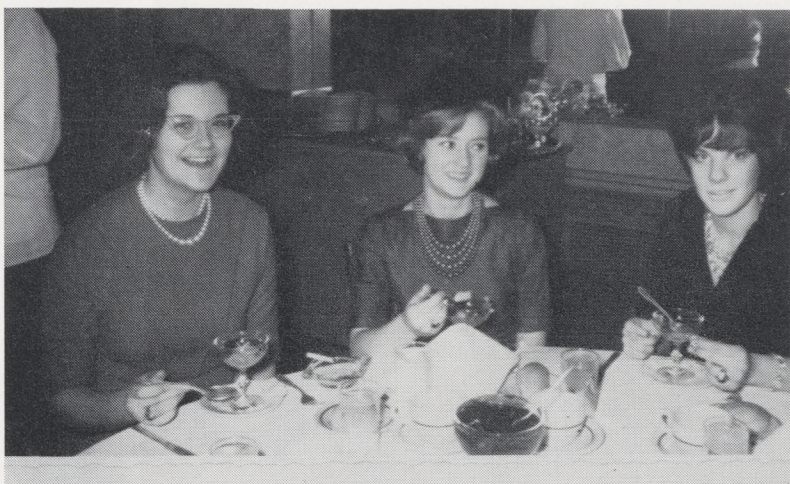
By Eloise Von Petzold

The Metropolitan Opera played host to fifty members of the senior Glee Club and Orchestra as well as other young people on February 21. This year's performance was "La Traviata" by Giuseppe Verdi. This was the 123rd of its kind that has brought more than 400,00 young adults to the Metropolitan Opera House since 1937.

As the girls entered the opera house a strange sensation of awe and of expectation overtook them. They certainly were not disappointed for they found the theme, the music, even better than they had imagined. The girls were equally impressed as they viewed the ornate scenery in the second act. Act 3 proved to be most enjoyable with its colorful flamingo dancing and exotic backgrounds.

"La Traviata" was especially appropriate. It dealt with youth and its singular frustrations found in the world today. Violetta, Laurel Hurley, dies of a broken heart after losing her love Alfredo, portrayed by John Alexander.

Fifty McAuleyans came away from this performance appreciative of the experience offered to them.



L. Wojcik, B. Murry and M. Wassell enjoy their dinner at the Hotel Piccadilly before going to the show.

## J.V. Wins

While the Varsity was suffering defeat the Junior Varsity scored for itself a winning season. In the final three games the future cagers really showed their worth.

The first encounter with Queen of All Saints was a fine example of teamwork. A lead was held over All Saints throughout the game and the final score was 42-11.

Little Bishop's fell easy prey to the victory bound group. Coordination and cooperation attained a final score of 35-17.

The February 9 game with St. Pascal Baylon wrapped up the victorious season with a 43-28 lead.

Congratulations to these girls whose efforts meted for themselves an undefeated season.

## Card Party Scheduled

This year McAuley's annual card party is to be held on May 4. Presiding over the affair are chairman, Mr. Francis Scotto and chairlady, Mrs. Helen McMorrow.

To arouse the enthusiasm of the McAuleyans, the committee has decided that the students should be rewarded for their efforts. The girl who sells \$25 over her required \$5 will win a transistor radio. In addition each book over the first \$5 will entitle the girl to a chance on a portable television.

Another new idea this year is class donations. Each group will contribute \$25 toward individual sweepstakes. The class will then choose the gift it wishes to donate. These gifts will be displayed in the main corridor that evening.

## Alumnae News

"Should auld acquaintance be forgot and never brought to mind" is not the theme of the Alumnae Association. Under the president, Joan Burke plans were made at the February meeting for coming activities.

The school cafeteria was transformed into an Italian cuisine on January 28. Entering the doors girls were engulfed by the appetizing aromas of spicy sauces which filled the air. Hungry graduates enjoyed a sumptuous dinner of spaghetti and meat balls. The food was supplied by Sam's Restaurant.

For the athletic Alumnae a trip in the great outdoors was formulated. The weekend of March 2, 3 and 4 was spent at Mount Airy Lodge in Mount Pocono, Pennsylvania. The girls enjoyed skiing and skating in the brisk mountain air. We are happy to report that all returned content with the jaunt.

Also scheduled for the month of March were four Cana Conferences which were held in the school's auditorium. They were given on the 8, 15, 22 and 29 of the month. Lectures were given by a Catholic priest, doctor, and a housewife. Each gave information on their particular position in life. The informative talks were followed by a question and answer period. After each session refreshments were served in the cafeteria.

March 18 was the date of the next meeting. Here the initial plans were discussed for the Spring Dance. Sponsored by the Alumnae the dance was held last Friday night, April 6. The purpose of this affair was to collect money for a Card Party Prize. Special recognition goes to the designers of those beautiful posters.

A three day retreat has been arranged for April 13, 14, and 15. It will be held at Villa Maria Convent in Stamford, Connecticut. In the beautiful grounds one can slip away from daily routine and meditate.

Congratulations are extended to Maureen Lynch from the class of 1959. Presently a junior at St. Joseph's College for Women, she has been nominated for the position of Student Council President. Maureen, who is attending College on a scholarship, is now on the College's Dean's List.